

Dyke Landward Community Council
Draft Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 2 October 2019 at 7.30pm
in Dyke & District Village Hall

Present: Steve Arkley (Chair & Treasurer) (SA), Jo Lenihan (Secretary) (JL), Tom Lewis (TL)

Apologies: Cllr Lorna Creswell, Jane Foster (JF) Jackie Davidson (JD), Carl Wright (CW)

In attendance: Cllr Feaver, Cllr Alexander, Jo Smithson (Community Development Officer, tsiMoray, Forres Locality)

1. Welcome and introduction

SA welcomed everyone to the meeting. Due to apologies from 3 members of committee it was not possible to form a quorate. It was decided, however, to continue the meeting for information with any decisions required being held over to next meeting.

2. Police Update/Report/Community Safety Report

No police officer attended and there was nothing to report.

3. Public Session

Presentation by Jo Smithson (JS)

JS explained that she was one of 4 new roles in tsiMoray being piloted with the focus being support for the community in their locality. JS is based in FACT in Forres and will support communities in the Forres locality in developing community-led services and initiatives.

There is currently a small pot of money (£32,000 for whole of Moray) from participatory budgeting. Closing date of 21 October 2019 – must fulfil certain criteria. Submissions are voted on by public. Information available <https://www.tsimoray.org.uk/youchoose4>. CF advised that this would be best for projects that have already been planned due to tight timescale. Any suggestions to SA.

TL mentioned possibility of funding for improvements to footpath. Other funds might be more appropriate for this. JS happy to work with DLCC to find funding for projects.

SA thanked JS for her presentation.

4. Minutes of Last Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting on 7 August 2019 were held over to next meeting for approval.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- (a) Dyke road surface dressing – CF had circulated an email response from TMC following an inspection of dressing. The work is of satisfactory standard but will be re-inspected post winter.
- (b) Burnie Path – TL still to meet with Ian Douglas (TMC) to progress.
- (c) Findhorn Bridge sign – TL emailed Transport Scotland (TS) who weren't aware of problem. Richard Muller new in post for TS and will liaise with Beare Scotland for sign to be reinstated.
- (d) Review of meeting schedule – SA will distribute information on meeting frequency to all members for discussion at next meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report

Bank balance – 1634.61 made up of £592.61 in administration account and £1,042 in the reserve account.

SA preparing accounts to be sent to TMC.

7. Correspondence

- (a) Woodland planting - TL mentioned email from TMC about woodland planting. Although areas have already been identified it did request suggestions from other areas. A sign on noticeboards for residents could be displayed with comments to SA.
- (b) Survey - Email from TMC requesting response to survey on services from TMC. SA will clarify if this is for DLCC area or Moray as a whole.

8. Reports

- (a) Local Councillors –

Cllr Feaver commented that she was still receiving queries about the logging business shed and surrounding area. Enquirers were directed to the planning application on TMC website for details. Concern related to height and use of shed. TL reiterated question from last meeting as to why DLCC not consulted despite dispute over application.

Council still experiencing ongoing budget pressures.

Cllr Alexander asked whether past complaints around traffic were still causing concern. It was noted that at present this was not the case.

He informed the meeting that the waste transfer station at Waterford was no longer accepting trailers >6ft long or multi-axle trailers. This is thought to be a temporary ban but may be long lasting as dependent on work at Moycroft. Fly tipping not seen as a major issue in DLCC area.

9. Planning Issues

Feddon Farm Cottages. Change to existing planning permission. No reason to object.

10. AOCB

- (a) JL asked whether members of the committee would be prepared to put note of meeting on their local notice boards, and any that weren't covered would be done by her. This was agreed.
- (b) JS mentioned that someone who works at FACT is running a community WhatsApp group for Conicavel. JS will pass SA's contact details to the person for information and possible involvement in DLCC as no representation at present.
- (c) TL asked whether there was an update on shooting around Findhorn Bay. CF outlined that TMC had decided not to fund mediation further so there was no resolution. However, there is a possibility that a Trust could be established that would be able to apply for funds and look at opportunities for using the Bay. This was in very early stages of discussion.

11. Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall.